Fauquier FAPT seeks Parent Representatives

State and local best practice requires the inclusion of a parent representative to the Family Assessment and Planning Team (FAPT). A parent representative provides the unique perspective of a parent who has negotiated the system and is willing to assist others in the process. Parent representatives are selected because they demonstrate the ability to listen objectively, communicate clearly, respect the traditions of individuals from diverse cultural, religious, and ethnic backgrounds, and they respect confidentiality.

Requirements and Expectations for a Parent Representative to Fauquier FAPT:

- Maintain confidentiality Completing a document attesting to maintenance of confidentiality is required of all FAPT members.
- Reside within Fauguier County
- Be a parent of a child who has previously received services and or supports through CSA or other youth serving departments, however <u>not currently</u> receiving CSA funding for their child.
- Have a good understanding of services available to children and be willing to learn more
- Be an advocate for children
- Attend all scheduled FAPT meetings
 - o FAPT meets the 1st, 3rd & 4th Tuesdays of the month.
 - o We hope to have a parent representative at each FAPT date from 9am -12pm
 - o With several representatives, each parent could serve one day per month
- Attend in person or via telephone Emergency FAPT meetings, perhaps 3-4 per calendar year Currently, due to COVID 19, FAPT is meeting via teleconference, therefore access to internet and or telephone is necessary.
- Communicate effectively with families, team members, and case managers
- Complete a yearly Statement of Economic Interest with Fauquier County government.
- Commit to a 3 year renewable term

Culture of Fauquier's FAPT:

The Fauquier FAPT is a collaborative and good natured team. We work hard, hearing numerous cases, often reviewing cases more frequently than other localities. We are supportive to each other and devoted to the mission of assisting the children and families in our community to improve where they find themselves.

How to become a Parent Representative to Fauquier FAPT:

• Submit a letter of interest, including a description of your background as related to this position, or in lieu of a description your resume, to the CSA Coordinator:

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- Participate in an interview with the CSA Coordinator and/or the entire FAPT
- Application materials and FAPT recommendation will be presented to the CPMT who will vote to appoint a new member.